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Out of the grant of 4·50 lakhs for the improvement of village communications, it is proposed to place 1·50 lakhs at the disposal of the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards for expenditure in non-union panchayat areas.''

Diwan Bahadur C. S. RATNASABHAPATI MUDALIYAR :—" May I know whether there is any time-limit fixed in regard to expenditure? "

The Hon. the RAJA OF BOBBILI :—" No time-limit has been fixed. The grant will lapse just as other budget provisions. Government have instructed that they should be spent as early as possible."

Expenditure, if any, on the needs of the Depressed Classes from the grant of the Government of India for rural development.

* 616 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the amount provided for by the Government of India for rural development in this Presidency is;

(*b*) how the amount is proposed to be spent by the Provincial Government; and

(*c*) how much of this amount is proposed to be reserved for the needs of Depressed Classes?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to answer to question No. 455.

Proposals for the appropriation of the grant of the Government of India for rural development.

* 617 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount which this Province will get out of the one crore of rupees which the Government of India have allotted for rural development;

(*b*) the purposes for which it will be spent; and

(*c*) the amount that will be allotted for village communications and water-supply in each district?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to question No. 455.

Resolutions passed at the Elementary Teachers' First Conference, held at Erode on the 28th and 29th July 1935, *regarding personal pay and medical leave.*

* 618 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether representations have been received either by the Government or by the Director of Public Instruction by way of resolutions passed at the Erode Range Elementary Teachers' First

Conference held at Erode on the 28th and 29th of July 1935 in the matter of allowing personal pay, medical leave, etc., to such teachers employed under the local bodies and municipalities; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken on each of such resolutions?

A.—(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Landlords and Tenants

Principles governing the settlement of rents in estates.

* 619 *Q.*—Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how far the principles on which settlement is made in ryotwari tracts are followed in settling rents in estates;

(b) whether any directions in general or specially for particular estates are issued by Government or the Board of Revenue to officers engaged in settling rents as to the principles to be followed in settling rents; and

(c) if so, whether such directions are published for the benefit of the public?

A.—(a) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the provisions of sub-sections (2) to (4) of section 168 of the Madras Estates Land Act, 1908, which lay down the principles on which the settlement of rents in estates should be made.

(b) & (c) Executive rules of a general nature relating to both the preparation of a record of rights and settlement of rents under Chapter XI of the Madras Estates Land Act, 1908, were issued by Government in Revenue Department Notification No. 473, dated 26th November 1909, and published at pages 1291–97 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 30th November 1909.

Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo:—" Will the Hon. the Revenue Member be pleased to state if Chapter XI is going to be amended in view of the Full Bench decision which pronounced that the settlement provisions of the Madras Estates Land Act are very unsatisfactory? "

The Hon. Sir Charles Souter:—" There is no such proposal before the Government at present."

Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo:—" May I know if the Board of Revenue issues instructions or executive orders in respect of such matters? "

The Hon. Sir Charles Souter:—" I think the answer is in the answer to clauses (b) and (c). Executive rules of a general nature have been issued.